


Northern Great Plains Fire Management		Section: Fire Apparatus	Revised: 1/14/2000	Number: 102
Standard Operating Procedures	Subject: Fire Apparatus Driver Qualifications			Page: 1 of 1
	<p>I. Scope: This SOP applies to anyone driving any Northern Great Plains fire engine or the WICA water tender.</p> <p>II. Purpose: To establish procedures to insure the safe operation of the fire apparatus.</p> <p>III. Procedure:</p> <p>The minimum requirements for being qualified to drive and operate the fire apparatus are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Actual driving time required as a trainee: 5 hours for the light engines; 10 hours for the water tender. 2. The number of hours of training or operation of the pump specific to the system on that apparatus: three hours for the light engines and the water tender. 3. To operate a water tender, the driver must possess a valid state commercial drivers license with a "water supplement". 4. In order to use emergency lights and siren on any fire vehicle, specific training is required. <p>In addition to the above, each person will:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Pass a practical driving test administered by the FMO or a person designated by the FMO. <p>The Fire Management Officer may modify the above requirements for an individual based on their previous experience driving vehicles of similar weight and handling characteristics.</p>			